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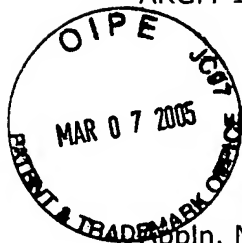
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Appln. No: 10/516,717
Applicant: E. Ohdachi
Filed: December 2, 2004
Title: ROUTE GUIDANCE INFORMATION STORING AND REPRODUCING
APPARATUS (as amended)
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The following references are not in the English language:

- 1) WO 02/12831
- 2) JP 2002-48576
- 3) JP 8-86663

References 1) to 3) include English language abstracts.

Reference 1 includes a U.S. corresponding patent.

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Respectfully submitted,



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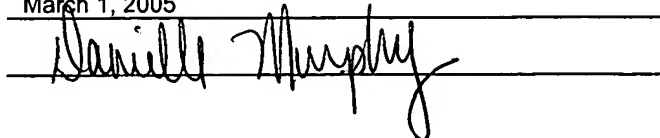
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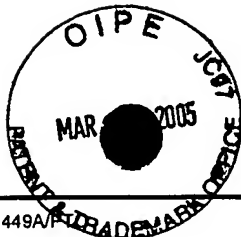
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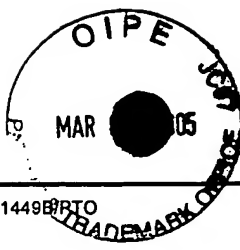
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